MARKET IS AGAIN OPEN

After Three Days of Leisure Brokers Get Busy, But Their Dealings Were Small.

LITTLE CHANGE IN SITUATION

Prices Dropped Below Friday's Level-Weekly Crop Report Was Encouraging.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 31.—Three days of geisure for the contemplation of stock market prospect did not result in any accession of speculative confidence, so far las was revealed by the meagre dealings and the halting and narrow fluctuation to-day. The mirket showed no essential change from its recent lethargic character. The firm tone of the London market and the Saturday bank statement, which was called favorable by commentators. and the Saturday bank statement, which was called favorable by commentators, were worth a fractional rise this morning which amounted to an average of about 1st. Friday's level. The nominal cause was the suspension of a firm the facilities announced as due to a defalcation with no bearing on market, or financial test ground.

was announced as due to a defalcation with no bearing on market or financial conditions, the market failed to cover its lost ground.

News of the day was not important, but it offered more favorable reatures than for some time past. The market ignored these. The weekly crop bulletin of the Weather Bureau was encouraging as regarded the winter wheat crop and was distinctly hopeful for the start of the spring wheat crop. The cotton crop, also, was shown to have improved. The tenor of the weekly talks by traffe officials of the brighter hopes felt for the crops, which have had some effect in turning the downward tide of railroad traffic in evidence since the middle of April.

Net earnings do not yet show a turn in the situation, retrenchment in operating expenses not yet being effective in the eports for that period. The Erie statement was the important example to-day, with its decline in April net, compared with last year, of \$233.55, or hearly 20 per cent. The stocks of the company suffered from this showing, especially the first preferred, from fears that the integrity of its dividend was threatened. There was a light covering movement by shorts late in the day, but the closing was easy. A number of inactive bonds made wide declines from long preceding sales and the general tone was heavy, Total sales, per value, \$1.340.00. United States 2's resistered declined 1-4, and 2's coupon advanced 1-4 per cent. on call.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE—CLOSE.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE—CLOSE:
Money on call, easy, 1@11-4; lowest, 1;
closing bid, 1; offered at 1:-4.
Time loans, easy; sixty and ninety
days, 2@21-2 per cent.; six months, 3g
81-2. Prime mercantile paper, 33-464-1-4 per cent. Sterling exchange, fim with actual business in bankers' bills, at \$4.87.25 for demand and at \$485.25488.5 for sixty day bills. Poster rates, \$485 and 485. Commercial bills, \$485-1-861-4. Bar silver, \$55. Mexican dollars, \$44-4.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKE	100000
Richmond, Va., May 31,	1904.
STATE SECURITIES. Bid.	Asket
North Carolina 4s. C., 1910 104 North Carolina 6s. C., 1919 180	MANA
North Caroline 6s. C. 1919 130	
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Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1991 95	95
CITY SECURITIES.	
Richmond City 4s, R., 19201930 105	•••
KAILKOAD BONDS	
Atlanta and Charlotte 1st 7s, R 108	1000
A C T B B Con Tr 4 n c 95	
Georgia Pacific 1st 6a, C., 1922 122 Georgia, Southern and Fla. 1st 5s 113	
Coorgia Southern and Fla. 1st 5s 113	
Rich, and Meck. 1st 4s, 1948	90
Rich. and Meck. 1st 4s, 1948	***
6. A. L. Con. 1st 4s, 1900	71
RAILROAD STOCKS. Par.	
Atlanta and Charlotte	
Atlantic Coast Line "A"	
Atlantic Coast Line pfd	•••
Atlantic Coast Line com	***
Chesapeake and Ohio100 29	***
Norfolk and Western com 100 bd	411
R. F. and P. Div. Oblig100 210	225
Seaboard Air Line pfd	9
Seaboard Air Line corn	
	111
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.	
Bouthern Trust Co	***
Virginia True; Co	100
MISCELLANEOUS.	
American Locomotive pfd100 \$0	
Va -Car Chem. nfd 8 p. c100 100	101
Va -Carolina Chemical com 100	27
VaCar. Chem. pfd 8 p. c100 100 VaCarolina Chemical com100 VaCar. C. Co. Col. Tr. 5 p. c	94
BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.	

BALTIMORE, MD., May 31.—Seaboard Air Line common, \$284; do. preferred, 184,2174. Atlantic Coast Line common, 197,2108.

COTTON MARKETS.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK May 31.—The cotton market opened weak at a decline of 11g s points following much lower cables than expected, liverpool having broken badly over the holidays, while spot demand there was practically at a standatill. The built had also to confront a very favorable set of weather maps, showing rain in the dry sections, while temperatures remaining severally favorable. In view of these various developments and the fact that the suspension of a local house was announced before the call the opening changes were not bad, and soon attended the considerable weakness the market soon began to decline. The weekly report of the Weather Bursu at mid-day proved more bearish than had been expected, and following its publication there was very heavy liquidation, led apparently by a large local wire house with New Orleans connections. This selling carried July down to 12.60, the lowest point it has occupied and the general list was 136-60 points and the general list was

Cotton futures open	ed weak	and	closed
stendy: 6 Open. May	High. 12.49 12.48	Low. 12.48 12.48	Close,
July	12.70 12.25 11.11	11.95 10.94	11.08

THOMAS BRANCH & CO

(KSTABLISHED 1833.) MEMBERS New York Stock Exchange Kew York Cotton Exchange.

Official Range and Sale of Stocks in New York

SALES:		n. High				Bankers and Brokers.	Open.	High.			
				Bld. A				MINERAL		Bid. As	
4500 Amalgamated	Copper 51	61	4956	495%	49%	1600 Missouri Pacific	90	90	891/4	8914	89%
400 Amer, Car and		16%	1634	1614	17	Nash, Chat, and S. L.		iii%	1144	11414	11494
Amer. Cotton			25000	27	28	400 New York Central			555%	15%	68
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500 Canadian Pacif	C 117%	11716	2914	1171/6	1171/4	800 Rock Island, pfd				25	36
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300 Chi. Great Wei	B P 140	140	13944	13946	139%	400 S. L. and S. F., 2d pfd	44 14	4474	2614	27	449%
Colo, Fuel and	ron	400	***	25%	14%	1800 S. L. and Southwest., pfd.,	4654	45%	4514	45%	1554
Colo. Southern.	com	66	66	145%	51	100 Southern Pacific		20	20	20	20%
450 Colo, Southern, 500 Colo, Southern	1st pro bo		12	19	1916	Southern Railway, pfd				83	831/8
Clev., Cin., Chi	and H. L.			69	6014	Seaboard Air Line, com		***	***	17%	87/8
Continental To	bacco, pfd		204	112	113	Beaboard Air Line, pfd	'61.7	344	3314	3314	33%
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800 Erie, 2d pfd		.34	33 156%	3314	33%	200 VaCar, Chemical, com"	2614	281/4	261/4	251/2	2714
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1200 Mexican Centre		15%	16%	1082	71/2	40 Wisconsin Central, pfd	38%	28%	28	274	39
200 Mo., Kan. and 1 200 Mo., Kan. and		3314	8344	3314	331/4	Total sales 137,200. • En	c. Righ	8.			Will the A

S. refunding 2s, coupon 105 S. 2s, registered 1055 S. 3s, coupon 1064 S. S. Se, coupon 1064 S. New 4s, registered 132 S. New 4s, registered (ex. int.) 1054 S. New 4s, coupon 1054 S. Old 4s, coupon 1064 tchison general 4s 1014 tchison adjustment 4s 1014 stantic Coast Line 4s 15 altimore and Ohio 3½s 15 altimore and Ohio 3½s 15 entral of Georgia 1st Inc. 17 hesapeake and Ohio 4½s 1764 bicago and Alton 3½s 1764 bicago 3 and Ohio 4½s 1764 bicago 3 and Ohio 4½s 1764 bicago 3 and Alton 3½s 1764 bicago 3 and Alton 3½s 1764 bicago 3 and Ohio 4½s 1	Chicago Terminal 48. 225 Consolidated Tobacco 48. 50% Colorado and Southern 48. 50% Colorado and Southern 48. 50% Eric General 48. 58% Eric General 48. 58% Fort Worth and Denver City lists 106 Hocking Valley 1856 108 Hocking Valley 1856 108 Manhattan consol gold 48. 106% Manhattan consol gold 48. 108% Mexican Central 48. 64% Mexican Central 18f Inc. 108% Missouri, Kansas and Texas 208 171 Missouri, Kansas and Texas 208 171 National R. R. of Mexico cond 48 New York Central gen. 258 279 New York Central gen. 258 104 New York Central gen. 258 104 New Jorsey Central gen. 258 104 108	Cregon Short Line Pennsylvania cont Reading General . St. Louis and San St. Louis Bouthern Scuthern Pacific Southern Railway Texas and Pacific Toddo, St. L. an Union Pacific es Union Pacific es Union Pacific es Union Pacific es Wabash ists Wabash Jets Wabash Deb. Bs Wheeling and Lai Wisconsin Central Colorado Fuel con M. and O., col. tr Central of Georgi
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to the Continent, 4.335 panes, below the boles.

Deconsolidated at all seaports—Net receipts, 11.581 bales; export to Great Britain, 5.427 bales; to the Continent, 5.63 bales.

Total since September ist at all seaports—Net receipts, 6.925,639 bales; export to Great Britain, 2.381,825 bales; to France, 650,052 bales; to the Continent, 2.479,322 bales; to Japan, 41,925 bales; to Mexico, 25,671 bales.

to the Continent, 2,475,222 bates; to Japan, 41,293 bates; to Mexico, 25,671 bates,

NEW ORLEANS, LA., May 31.—COTTON—
There was a fairly good demand for spot cotton for export by buyers and sellers were
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aparrias sellers. Sales, 2,290 bates, including the contracts 190 bates, Quotations \$4c, lower.

Futures opened weak at a decline of from
16421 points below the close of Friday. The
most bearish feature was the weakness of
Liverpool, which at the opening was from 169
21 points down on the old and from 567 points
on the new crop months, when compared with
Thursday's close. This was followed by the
announcement of a failure in the New York
market and the report of heavy raisal such where
leastern and Central portlonday raisal where
they were badly needed heavily and showed
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into the contract of the profits. There wis
summer an entire absence of bull support and
little or no long buying. What little buying
there was come from satisfied shorts. In the
trading July lost 32 points from Friday's closing at 12.09, recovered to 12.76, and finally declined to 13.47. The market closed quiet and
within a point or two of the lowest of the day,
the list showing net losses of 44245 points on
Futures steady: June, 12.09(12.12; January, 10.249
10.25; December, 10.31g1.62; November, 10.326
10.25.

PRODUCE MARKET.

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NEW YORK. May 31.—FLOUR—Barely steady. Minnesotta patent, \$1,1026-35; winter patents, \$1,1036-46. Rye Flour—Steady: fair to good, 18,1026-46. Rye Flour—Steady: fair to good of the good

ACCUMULATION OF	leading	futures	rang	red as	follow	81
The	Journa	Ope	n. 1	ligh.	Low.	Close.
WHE	T-No.	3.			7 0000	
May			616	9814	9314	97
July	(old)	2	636	874	86%	8614
July	(now)		85%	8614	8514	85%
Sept.	(old)		1214	83%	8214	8214
Sept	(new).		301/2	811/4	80%	8012
CORN	-No. 2.		Mark Company	1000	10000	1037
May		5	17	4746	4674	47
July		5	1736	4558	46%	47%
Sept		****** 1	1636	4716	461/2	4734
OATS	-No. 3.		0.00		40.00	4557
May	*******		11%	4134	4046	4014 3834
July	******		8816	3845	38%	30%
Sept.		111111	001	30.8	80%	9478
MESS	PORK-	-Per bb	4,		11.2714	11.75
July		******	2172	11.76	11.65	11.95
Bant	Mary newsperson		00 .	11.9744	11.00	11,00
	D-Per	100 lbs.	**	6.65	6.52	6.60
July	*******	6.	00	6.8244	6.65	6.7714
Sept			671/4		0.00	
	T RIBS	-Per	n lbs	6.75	6:5714	6.75
July	******	6.	75	6.9214	6.65	6.9214
Sept	*******	0.	45/200	MARINA TO	0.000000000	10000000
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month, 5149514c.; Southern white corn, 519 57c. Oate-Steady; No. 2 white, 484c hid. Rys-Very dull; No. 2 uptown, 77678c. Butter-Weak and unchanged; fancy imitation, 11616c; fancy creamity, 1963bc.; fancy lade, 16616c; store-packed, 11621c. Eggs—Steady and unchanged at 16c. Cheese-Steady and unchanged; large, 84654c; medium, 8459c; small, 84694c. Sugar-Firm and unchanged.

RICHMOND GRAIN WARKET.

Richmond, Va., May 31, 1804.

QUOTATIONS

WHEAT-			
Longberry (car lots)\$	1.09	0	1.10
Mixed (car lots)	1.09	60	1.10
Shortberry (car lots)	1.03	00	1.10
No. 2 red (car lots)	1.09		1.10
Va. bag lots	1.00	60	1.09
CORN-	100	llber	1000000
White, Va. bag lots	63	0	61
No. 2 white (car lots)	60	8	
No. 2 White (car lots)	59	0	60
No. 3 white (car lots)		400	59
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	57		68
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	91		
OATS-	101	10	000777
No. 2 mixed (car lots)	431		44
No. 3 mixed (car lots)	434		43
RYE	75	· ·	80
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RICHMOND LIVE STOCK MARKET.

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(Sales at Union Stock Yards.)

Richmond, Va., May 31, 1904.

Receipts for the week ending Monday:

CATTLE—Receipts, 103 head; market active.

Best steers, 565%c.; medium to good, 44,0

4%c.; common to fair, 3%g4c.; heifers, 344

4%c.; common to fair, 3%g4c.; heifers, 344

4%c.; dry cows, 3234%c.; buils, 374c.; calves, 55%g45;c.; fresh cows, 325.g45;; quarantine cattle, 33,464c; huils, 323%c.

HOGS—Receipts, 240 head; market firm. Selling from 49g5.15c.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 358 head; market fair. Good sheep, 4%g5c.; common to fair, 3g4c.; bucks, 3g3%c.; lambs, 6g7%c.

CHICAGO, ILL... May 31.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,500 head, including 200 Texans. Market to the steady. Good to prid-40 stockers and feeders, 100 market fair. Good sheep, 4%g5c.; canners, 11.75g2.20; bulls, \$2,50g4.30; calves, 25.50g5.00; rexas-fed steers, 35.50g4.15. Hogs—Receipts, 25.600 head; 10-morrow, 40,000 head. Market weak to 5c. lower. Mixed and butchers, 44.60g 4.75; good to choice heavy, 47.70g4.50; rough, heavy, 44.60g4.70. Sheep—Receipts, 11.00 head. Market steady. Good to choice wethers, \$2.266.55; fair to choice mixed, 33.75g5.00; native lembs, 8g3.30; spring lambs, 45.60g5.00; native lembs, 8g3.30; spring lambs, 45.60g5.00; native lembs, 8g3.30; spring lambs, 45.60g5.00; native lembs, 8g3.30; spring lambs, 45.60g5.00;

Spot market steady; mixed, 28 to 32 pourses, 43 cm. 25 pourses, 45 pours

CINCINNATI, O., May 31.—HOGS—Active at \$2.75\,\tilde{3}5.45. Cattle—Steady at \$2.25\,\tilde{3}6.15. Sheep—Steady at \$3\,\tilde{4}.55. Lambs—Steady at \$4.50\,\tilde{3}4.70.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

PEANUT MARKETS. PETERSBURG, VA. May 21.—PEANUTS— Continue firm at \$1.15 per bushel for Spanish; sever are asking higher prices; very few being effered, Virginias firm at \$40, for fancy stock, some shipments are being made from Peters-burg of stock that had been stored in this city. NORPOLK, VA., May 31.—PEANUTS— Fearcy, 4%46c.; strictly princ, 4%446c.; prime, 4%444c.; common, 8%634c.; Spanish, \$1.25 per

DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The auction sale of domestics attracted considerable attention to-day, but outside of this the dry goods market lacked feature. Buyers were few and far between and their operations were ultra conservative, being mostly for spot goods.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON N. C., May 31.—SPIRITS
TURPENTINE—Nothing doing: receipts, 14
casks. Rosin-Firm at \$2.50; receipts, 129 barrels;
Crude Turpentine—Firm at \$2.50; receipts, 129 barrels.
Crude Turpentine—Firm at \$2.50; to and \$4.25;
receipts, 156 barrels. C., May 31.—TURPEN.
CHARLESTON, S. C., May 31.—TURPEN.
TINE—Firm at \$2.50. Rosin-Firm.
SAVANNAH, JAs. May 31.—TURPENTINE—SAVANNAH, JAs. May 31.—TURPENTINE—SITM: receipts, 1,316 casks; sales, 394 casks;
Erim: receipts, 1,316 casks; sales, 394 casks;
Erim: receipts, 1,535 barrels; exports, 555 barrels; sales, 1,635 barrels; exports, 555 barrels; cases, 1,635 barrels; exports, 555 barrels; cases, 1,635 barrels; exports, 555 barrels; exports, 555 barrels; cases, 1,635 barrels; cases,

COTTONSEED OIL MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Cottonseed oil was inactive, but steady. Prime crude. (0 b.
mils. 204c.; prime summer yellow. 25@254c.;
off summer yellow, nominal; prime white, 33c.;
prime whiter yellow, 33c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF RICHMOND, MAY 31, 1904.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Berkeley, Shelly, Norfolk, merchandse and passengers, Old Dominion line.

Steamer, Old Point Comfort, Graves, James River landings and Norfolk merchandise and passengers, Virginia Navigation Co.

SAILER

Steamer Berkeley, Shelly, Norfolk, merchan-dise and passengers, Old Dominion line,

ings, passengers and general cargo PORT NEWPORT NEWS, MAY 31, 1904.

SAILED. Barge Cienfuegos, Banger. Barge Sague, Providence. Barge Independent, Portland.

Weekly Crop Report.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31.—The
weekly summary of crop conditions issued by the Weather Bureau to-day is
as follows:

sued by the Weather Bureau to-day is as follows:
Though cotton continues small, a general improvement in its condition is indicated, especially in the central and western distributed and generally ample. The least favorable reports are received from Georgia, Florida and portions of South Carolina, where drought continues. Lice are not so generally reported in the central-eastern districts as in the previous week, except in Georgia, but boll weevils continue to increase in the southwest and central cotton counties of Texas. As a rule, the crop is well cultivated. Tobacco transplanting has progressed slowly in Kentucky, Virginia and North Carolina, and this work awaits rain in Maryland. Planting has made favorable progress in New England, Pennsylvania and Tennessee.

ALL SHOWS IN ONE.

Pain's Pompeii Has Almost Every Form of Amusement.

Form of Amusement.

l'ain's fireworks will be displayed in the "Fall of Pompeli," beginning a threenights' engagement in West End Electric Park to-morrow night, when Manager Earle says \$1,000 worth of fireworks will go up in smoke each night. Manager Hartzell, of the park, is under contract to pay \$2,000 nightly or a total of \$5,000 for to-morrow, Friday and Saturday nights.

A giance at the multitudinous attrac-tions or "features" contrilled in Pain's A giance at the multitudinous attractions or "features" contribued in Pain's
big Pompeli spectacle, would seem to
embrace about all the most attractive
forms of popular amusement. First and
foremost with anything bearing the Pain
trade-mark is, of course, the fireworks,
and it is safe to prdeict that nothing
more elaborate in this line has ever been
vitnessed in this city. The "ulreus" features are represented in the large number of sensational aerial and acrobatic
performers; the exciting races, gladiatorical contests and various other hippodrome attractions. The scenic equipment
of the big open-air exhibition shows
enough massive, beautifully painted
incountains, palaces, temples, arches,
streets, etc., to stock a hundred of the
most elaborate stage productions. The
"spectacular" feature of amusement is
eppresented in the attractive ballets the
gorgeous costumes, the marches, drills
and between en of the propers. "speciacular" feature of amusement is represented in the attractive ballets the gorgeous costumes, the marches, drills and choruses of 300 performers. Pantomime is also represented in this monster all fresco exhibition, since the tragic story of Nydia, Arbaces, Glausus, Sallust, Ione and the other interesting personages of Lord Lytton's historical novel, are portrayed by gesture in a manner so clear there is no mistaking their meaning. A number of skilled foreign pantominists have been especially engaged for these important characters. The graphic destruction of "Pompeli" by Vesuvius, like Pain's fireworks, has no duplicate in the realm of "spectacular realism." as it stands alone as the most daring, ingenious and thrilling reproduction of a tragic historical episode ever conceived by man. It is a veritable pyrotechnical triumph that must be seen to be fully appreciated.

In the City Courts.

In the Law and Equity Court yesterday sults were entered by O. R. Kasten vs. the Richmond Traction Company for \$2,000 and by W. W. Edwards, &c., vs. the Ches-apeake and Ohio Railway and others for \$400.

Printers Strike Impending.

(Special to The Times-Disparch.)
CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 31.—From present indications every newspaper office in Charlotte, as well as all job offices, will be tied up after Saturday. The Typographical Union, of this city, has made demands that the publishers say

they cannot meet.

The impending strike will seriously affect the Charlotte Observer, the Charlotte News and the Evening Chronicle.

COTTON.

PRIVATE WIRES TO

| 100080. 16.0038.76; short clear sides (boxed). 40.5038.76; whiskey, basis of high wines, 11.28. 40.5038.76. Whiskey, basis of high wines, 11.28. 40.5038.76; control grade, 10.15. Butter-Market clearly recameries, 13469.74; control grade, 134.69. Eggs-Stendy at mark, cases included. 146.154.0. Eggs

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

Old Cotton Firm of S. Munn, Son & Co. Forced to Suspend Business.

THE HEAD CLERK SKIPPED

Discrepancies Amount to Over One Hundred Thousand and Books in a Tangle.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 31.—The suspension of S. Munn, Son and Company was announced on the Cotton Exchange to-day, The firm is one of the oldest in the cotton trade in this city. The head bookkeeper and cashier disappeared about ten days ago, and the firm believes that is soon as its accounts are straightened out it will be able to resume.

At the office of the firm, it was said that Clarence F. Cameron, the office

that Clarence F. Cameron, the office manager and head clerk, had been absent for about a week. An examination of the books so far made, it was added, showed apparent discrepancies amounting to about \$125,000.\to The Munn firm is one of the most conservative and respected in the cotton business. It is composed of Samuel G. Munn and H. Tileston Munn, and the estate of A. Godwin Munn, Jr. The firm had a Coffee Exchange membership, but had few open accounts there.

Firm Makes Announcement. Firm Makes Announcement from the firm was read on the Cotton Exchange: "We hereby announce to the members of the Cotton Exchange that through the absence of our head and frusted clerk, who has left his books in an involved condition, we are obliged to suspend. We trust this suspension will only be temporary."

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"We would request all members of the Exchange having open contracts with our firm to prevent the same to us with accounts at once. We further state that we have very few open contracts on the New York Cotton Exchange, and that these balance each other."

August H. Skillen, the legal representative of the firm, said that the Chicago Board of Trade accounts of the suspended firm were badly tangled up.

A week ago last Saturday, it was said, Cameron left the office, saying that he was going to Brooklyn, where his baby wis ill. Mrs. Cameron called at the firm's office this morning and told the officials of the company that she had not seen her husband since that day, Cameron had been in the employ of the company for fifteen years.

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Members of the firm of Munn and
Company say that their local cotton accounts are all right and have already
been adjusted, and that the property of
the firm improperly diverted was comparatively small, and not nearly \$100,
000. Several claims to meet notes were
made some time ago by firms doing business with Munn and Company by houses
creditors to the suspended firm, and in
this way it was discovered that something was wrong, and on examination
of the books, the irregularities were disclosed.

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S. Hunn, Son and Company were members of the Chicago Board of Trade. The principal trouble, they said this afternoon, was in the Chicago account, the cotton and coffee losses being slight. The cotton market was very little affected by the suspension,

ACTIVE WORK NOW.

Baptist Council Takes Steps Toward More General Endeavor.

An enthuisastic meeting of the Baptist Council of Richmond and Manchester was held last night at the First Baptist Church. The attendance was excellent and very great interest was manifested. The chief business of the evening was the report of the Executive Committee recommending names for the Finance Committee and the election of a secretary for city mission work. After considerable discussion the report was adopted. The matter of the city missionary, which is very important, will be pushed at once.

The Finance Committee is composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. Joseph B. Montgomery, John Garland Pollard. Robert M. Smith, W. J. Westwood and R. F. Patterson. ward More General Endeavor.

Mr. Binford Better. Mr. J. H. Binford, principal of the Springfield School, is getting along very nicely at the Memorial Hospital, where he was operated upon Monday for appen-

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The Weather During the Week Has Been Quite Favorable.

The climate and crop bulletin issued by the local department of the United States Weather Bureau for the week ending yesterday is as follows:

GENERAL SITUATION.

The weather conditions throughout the

week were quite favorable for both crop growth and work in the field, being warm, dry and sunny. Local showers fell, which dietlis.

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from the trck region about Norfolk are diminishing somewhat, but in other parts of the State the crop is coming in, and the quality and yield of the crop is very good. Fruit.—Apples continue to do well. No dropping from the trees of consequence is reported. Other orchard fruits are short.

Union Echo Meeting.

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There will be a union echo meeting from the "Home Mission" conference which recently convened in Lynchburg, held at Clay Street Methodist Church to-morrow night at 8:15 o'clock.

An interesting and helpful programme, has been prepared. All interested in home mission work are most cordially invited.

Mr. McNamee to Travel. Mr. Robert L. McNames, for a number of years foreman in the upholstering department of Messrs. Sydnor and Hundley, of this city, has accented a position with a mattress manufacturing concern at Graham. Va., as traveling salesman, Mr. McNames is a man of fine manners, and will no doubt succeed on the road.

Mr. Howard to Run. Mr. John Howard, Jr., has decided to enter the race for Commonwealth's Al-torney to succeed Judge B. C. Richard-son in the primary next spring.

Burglars at Crewe.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CREWE, VA., May 31.—Burglars broke
Into the tochouse of the Norfolk and
Western shops last night and took tools
therefrom, with which they prized open
the back windows of the freight depot,
extered and broke open the safe, taking
\$5. They literally picked the safe to pieces.